

Under Secretary of Management for Homeland Security, David S. Ferriero, of North Carolina, to be Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, and Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, and Anne Marie Wagner, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine new Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance to combat waste, inefficiency, and misuse in federal government contracting, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey D. Zients, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

HEALTH CARE FRAUD

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine effective strategies for preventing

health care fraud, after receiving testimony from William V. Corr, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Tony West, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

401(k) TARGET DATE FUNDS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine 401(k) target date funds, including building and maintaining 401(k) savings, and measures to improve participation and savings levels, after receiving testimony from Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Andrew J. Donohue, Director, Division of Investment Management, United States Securities and Exchange Commission; Phyllis C. Borzi, Assistant Secretary of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration; John Rekenhaller, Morningstar, Chicago, Illinois; Ralph Derbyshire, Fidelity Investments, Marlborough, Massachusetts; and Michael Case Smith, Avatar Associates, New York, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3947–3960; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 206 and H. Res. 874, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–316);

H. Res. 875, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3854) to amend the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to improve programs providing access to capital under such Acts (H. Rept. 111–317);

H. Res. 876, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2996) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–318); and

H.R. 3570, to amend title 17, United States Code, to reauthorize the satellite statutory license and to conform the satellite and cable statutory licenses to all-digital transmissions, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–319).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rabbi Jacob Luski, Congregation B'Nai, St. Petersburg, Florida.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Providing for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958: S. 1929, amended, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958;

Pages H11986–87

Allowing the funding for the interoperable emergency communications grant program established under the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Act of 2005 to remain available until expended through fiscal year 2012: S. 1694, to allow the funding for the interoperable emergency communications grant program established under the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Act of 2005 to remain available until expended through fiscal year 2012, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 819;

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Expressing support for designation of October 13, 2009, as National Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day: H. Res. 787, to express support for

designation of October 13, 2009, as National Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day; **Pages H11990–92**

Supporting the goals and ideals of a national day of remembrance on October 30, 2009, for American nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers: H. Res. 790, amended, to support the goals and ideals of a national day of remembrance on October 30, 2009, for American nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers;

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Recognizing the 150th anniversary of John Brown's raid in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia: H. Res. 568, amended, to recognize the 150th anniversary of John Brown's raid in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia;

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Supporting the goals and ideals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month: H. Res. 831, to support the goals and ideals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children in foster care awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, recognizing current programs and efforts designed to promote adoption, and encouraging people in the United States to seek improved safety, permanency, and well-being for all children;

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Raising the awareness of the need for crime prevention in communities across the country and expressing support for designation of October 1, 2009, through October 3, 2009, as "Celebrate Safe Communities" Week, and October as "Crime Prevention Month": H. Con. Res. 177, to raise the awareness of the need for crime prevention in communities across the country and to express support for designation of October 1, 2009, through October 3, 2009, as "Celebrate Safe Communities" Week, and October as "Crime Prevention Month"; and

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Federal Judiciary Administrative Improvements Act of 2009: H.R. 3632, to provide improvements for the operations of the Federal courts.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the vast contributions of Hispanic Americans to the strength and culture of the United States: H. Res. 783, amended, to recognize Hispanic Heritage Month and to celebrate the vast contributions of Hispanic Americans to the strength and culture of the United States and

Pages H11997–99

Expressing support for designation of a "National Firefighters Memorial Day" to honor and celebrate the firefighters of the United States: H. Res. 729, amended, to express support for designation of a "National Firefighters Memorial Day" to honor and celebrate the firefighters of the United States.

Pages H11999–H12001

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, October 27th:

Welcoming to the United States and to Washington, D.C., His All Holiness Bartholomew, Archbishop of Constantinople, New Rome, Ecumenical Patriarch: H. Res. 838, amended, to welcome to the United States and to Washington, D.C., His All Holiness Bartholomew, Archbishop of Constantinople, New Rome, Ecumenical Patriarch on his upcoming trip on October 20, 2009, through November 6, 2009, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 424 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 820 and

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Welcoming to the United States and to Washington, D.C., His All Holiness Bartholomew, Archbishop of Constantinople, New Rome, Ecumenical Patriarch on his current trip on October 20, 2009, through November 6, 2009."

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Honoring the 2560th anniversary of the birth of Confucius: H. Res. 784, to honor the 2560th anniversary of the birth of Confucius and recognizing his invaluable contributions to philosophy and social and political thought, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 47 nays with 13 voting "present", Roll No. 821.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Monday, October 26th:

Congratulating the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 2009 NCAA women's lacrosse championship: H. Res. 824, to congratulate the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 2009 NCAA women's lacrosse championship, and to commend Northwestern University for its pursuit of athletic and academic excellence, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 416 yeas with none voting "no", Roll No. 822.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-a-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H12008–09, H12010, H12010–11, and H12011–12. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOOD-CONSERVATION-ENERGY ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture held a hearing to review the implementation of the Horticulture and Organic Agriculture Title of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Rayne Pegg, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

DISCUSSION DRAFT—INVESTOR PROTECTION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Financial Services: Began consideration of October 1, 2009 Discussion Draft of the Investor Protection Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3817, To provide the Securities and Exchange Commission with additional authorities to protect investors from violations of the securities laws).

Will continue November 3.

IRAN REFINED PETROLEUM SANCTIONS ACT OF 2009

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2194, Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act of 2009.

MIDDLE EAST REGIONAL OVERVIEW

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on A Regional Overview of the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey D. Feltman, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

FOOTBALL HEAD INJURIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on Legal Issues Relating to Football Head Injuries. Testimony was heard from Representative Pascrell; Roger Goodell, Commissioner, National Football League; DeMaurice Smith, Executive Director, NFL Players Association; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2213, as amended, To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act; H.R. 2888, as amended, Devils's Staircase Wilderness Act of 2009; H.R. 2781, as amended, To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 86, as, amended, To eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consist-

ency by bringing the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands; and H.R. 118, To authorize the addition of 100 acres to Morristown National Historical Park.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "Executive Compensation: How Much is Too Much?" Testimony was heard from Kenneth R. Feinberg, Special Master for TARP Executive Compensation; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FY 2010

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervention of any motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit if applicable. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dicks and Simpson.

SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING AND INVESTMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7–3, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3854, the "Small Business Financing and Investment Act of 2009". The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Small Business. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended.

The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in this report, may be offered only by a Member designated, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled